

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 1 through 16 are pending in the application, that claims 7-14 and 16 are withdrawn, that claim 15 is allowed, claim 3 is objected to, and that claims 1-2 and 4-6 are rejected.

Claims 1 and 2 have been cancelled; claim 3 has been amended to be in independent form, and claims 4-6 have been amended to depend from claim 3. In view of these amendments, applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims (claims 3-6 and 15) are now in condition for allowance.

In addition, since claim 3, as amended, and claim 15 are allowed generic claims, applicant is requesting consideration under 37 CFR §1.141, of claims 7-14 and 16, which are directed to a different species and which were previously withdrawn by election.

Conclusion

The present invention is not taught or suggested by the prior art. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection of the claims. An early Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication to applicant's Deposit Account No. 50-4364.

Respectfully submitted

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